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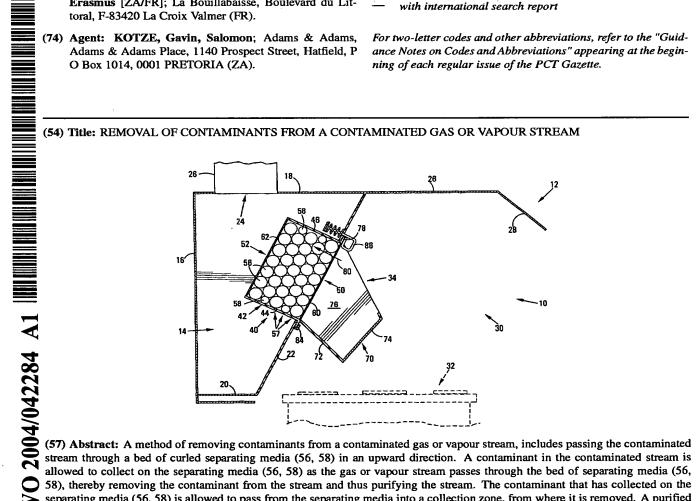
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58), thereby removing the contaminant from the stream and thus purifying the stream. The contaminant that has collected on the separating media (56, 58) is allowed to pass from the separating media into a collection zone, from where it is removed. A purified gas or vapour stream is withdrawn from the bed of separating media (56, 58).

